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In re application of
John Hughs et al.
Application No. 09/808,001
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For: TECHNICAL STANDARD
REVIEW AND APPROVAL

DECISION ON REQUEST
FOR WITHDRAWAL OF
ATTORNEY

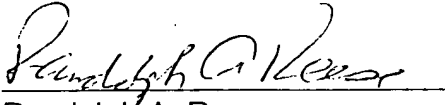
This is a decision on the request filed on April 7, 2003, under 37 CFR 1.36 and MPEP 402.06, requesting permission to withdraw as the attorney of record in the above-identified application.

On additional review of the request filed on April 7, 2003 and after further discussion with attorney for applicant, Mr. Mark D. Chuey and the undersigned, the petition decision mailed September 9, 2003 is hereby vacated.

Under 37 CFR 1.36 an attorney may withdraw only upon application to and approval by the Commissioner. It should be noted that a withdrawal is effective when approved, not when filed. For approval of such a request the following conditions must be met:

- A) Each attorney of record must sign the notice of withdrawal, or the notice must contain a clear indication of one attorney signing on behalf of another, because the Office does not recognize law firms;
- B) There must be at least 30 days between approval of the withdrawal and the later of the expiration date of a time period for reply or the expiration date of the period which can be obtained by a petition and fee for extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a);
- C) A proper reason for the withdrawal as enumerated in 37 CFR 10.40(b) or subsection (1)-(6) of 37 CFR 10.40(c) must be provided;
- D) The applicant or patent owner must have been notified of the withdrawal as provided for in 37 CFR 1.36.

The request to withdraw as attorney satisfies each of the conditions A) – D) above and the request is therefore **APPROVED**.



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